

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Fujihiko TOMITA et al.	Art Unit: 1794
Application No.: 10/564,564	
Confirmation No.: 2014	Examiner: D. Henkel
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Title: MICROORGANISM CULTURING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF INSERTING BAG INTO CULTURING APPARATUS	

**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2008, the period for response to which has been extended to February 6, 2009, by the accompanying Petition for a ONE-month Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page       of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page       of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet. An **Appendix** including the amended drawing figures is attached following page       of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

Please note, if a box is not checked, then no corresponding amendment is being made.